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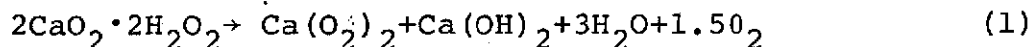


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16. Abstract The compound $\text{CaO}_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$ at 40° and 6.10^{-3} mm Hg as a result of the intramolecular redox reaction, forms an equimolecular mixture of hyperoxide and hydroxide of calcium.					
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During investigation of the process of transformation of $\text{CaO}_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$ into $\text{Ca}(\text{O}_2)_2$ at a constant pressure of 10 mm Hg by the reaction /2032*



we studied [1-7] the influence of a series of factors--temperature, time and size of the surface--on which the weighed quantity of $\text{CaO}_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$ was distributed. It was established that, at the indicated pressure, the maximum content of $\text{Ca}(\text{O}_2)_2$ in the final product, about 40% by weight, was achieved at 50°, 100 minutes and with a distribution of the weighed quantity of the initial substance of 1 gram on a surface of approximately 1800 cm². These data were later confirmed by Johnson and Miller [8,9].

Taking into account that the process of transformation must proceed more intensely in a vacuum, experiments were conducted at various degrees of vacuum, with a constant temperature in the layer equal to 40°, at a constant time equal to 60 minutes, and with a distribution of the weighed quantity of $\text{CaO}_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$ of 1 gram on a 100 cm² surface, it is evident that the maximum content of $\text{Ca}(\text{O}_2)_2$ in the end product, equal to 55.4% by weight, is attained at a pressure of $6 \cdot 10^{-3}$ mm. The relation of the $\text{Ca}(\text{O}_2)_2$ content to the size of the surface on which 1 g of $\text{CaO}_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$ is distributed, at a residual pressure of $6 \cdot 10^{-3}$ mm, and with other equal conditions,

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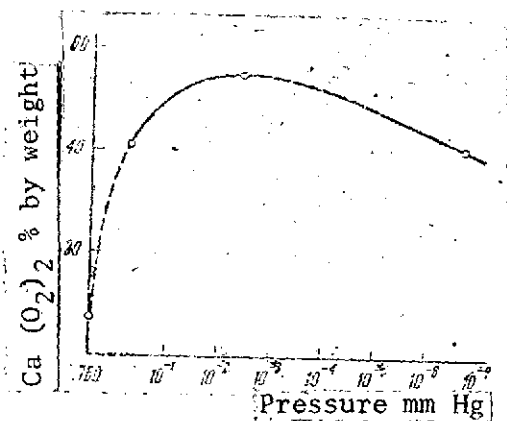


Fig. 1

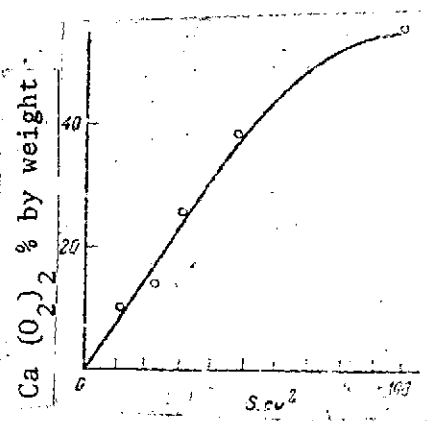


Fig. 2

Fig. 1. The dependence of the yield of $\text{Ca}(\text{O}_2)_2$ on the degree of vacuum.

Fig. 2. The change of content of $\text{Ca}(\text{O}_2)_2$ (in %) as a function of the surface area on which 1 g of $\text{CaO}_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$ is distributed.

is shown in Fig. 2. The obtained value of 55.4% by weight of $\text{Ca}(\text{O}_2)_2$ is close to the maximum, because by reaction (1) 1 M (mole) of $\text{Ca}(\text{O}_2)_2$ and 1 M of $\text{Ca}(\text{OH})_2$ are formed which corresponds to 58.4% by weight of $\text{Ca}(\text{O}_2)_2$.

Conclusions

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The compound $\text{CaO}_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$ at 40° and $6 \cdot 10^{-3}$ mm Hg as a result of the intramolecular redox reaction, forms an equimolecular mixture of hyperoxide and hydroxide of calcium.

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